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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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This Preliminary Amendment is being filed prior to examination of the above-identified application.

IN CLAIMS

Please insert claims 38-40.

-- 38. A method of modulating a signal transduction in a cell, comprising contacting a cell with a chemical to modulate the association of a transducisome and at least one PDZ binding protein.